

CONSERVE & \$AVE[®]

2012 NATURAL GAS EFFICIENCY REBATE APPLICATION

1. REBATE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

This program offers rebates for the purchase of new energy-efficient products. Use this checklist to complete the steps to receive your rebates:

HOW TO APPLY:

- 1. Read the terms and conditions on the back page of this application to determine if you are eligible for a rebate.
- 2. Purchase and install new products with the **ENERGY STAR[®]** label or that meet our **MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS**.
- 3. Complete the application, making sure to fill out all required sections in detail. Missing or incorrect information will increase the processing time.
- 4. Include a final, detailed copy of the **original sales receipt, invoice, or picking slip** showing the customer name, date of sale, manufacturer name, model number, size, and date of installation.
- 5. **For WINDOW rebates**, applicant must include the NFRC label for each window type and size. City Final Inspection Form is required for OPU customers.
- 6. **FOR INSULATION AND AIR SEALING REBATES WITH CEE PARTICIPATING CONTRACTORS**, contractor performing work must have attended all Center for Energy and Environment (CEE)-required trainings and be a certified insulation installer by the Building Performance Institute, conduct work in accordance with CEE standards, and agree to the provisions of the CEE Contractor Participation Agreement, including correcting any deficiencies found by CEE and completing the CEE-provided post-installation report.
- 7. Sign the application.
- 8. Mail completed forms and required documentation to your utility provider:



Austin Utilities

Attn: Rebate Processing
400 - 4th Street NE
Austin, MN 55912-3495
(507) 433-8886
(507) 433-5045 fax
www.austinutilities.com



Owatonna Public Utilities

Attn: Rebate Processing
P.O. Box 800
Owatonna, MN 55060-0800
(507) 451-2480
(507) 451-4940 fax
www.owatonnautilities.com

SIGNATURE:

I certify that I have read, understand, and agree to the terms and conditions on the back page of this rebate application and that all equipment has been installed.

CUSTOMER SIGNATURE _____ **Date** _____

(Allow 6-8 weeks for processing. Missing or incorrect information will increase the processing time.)

OFFICE USE ONLY ID _____ Appliance or Equipment _____

Date of Inspection _____ Approved By & Date _____ **Total Rebate Amount** \$

2. CUSTOMER INFORMATION (please print)

SECTION 2 MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY OR APPLICATION WILL BE RETURNED

Customer Name _____ E-mail Address _____

Home Phone Number (with area code) _____ Daytime Phone Number (with area code) _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code + 4 _____

Installation Address (if different from mailing address) _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code + 4 _____

Account Number / Location Number (Found on utility bill.) (Location Number for Austin customers only.) _____

Please apply rebate to my account. Please send me a rebate check. **(Rebates under \$25 for AU customers will be applied to your account.)**

How did you hear about CONSERVE & SAVE®? Billboard Chamber of Commerce Contractor Newspaper Radio Retailer/Vendor
 TV Utility Mailing Utility Newsletter Utility Representative Utility Web Site Other _____

REQUIRED: I am a: **Residential** Customer
 Owner/Occupant
 Owner/Non-Occupant
 Renter

I am a: **Commercial** Customer
 Owner/Occupant
 Owner/Non-Occupant
 Renter

OFFICE USE ONLY

Gas
 Electric
 Water

My home/business is heated by: Electric Gas Don't Know

My water heating is: Electric Gas Don't Know

Number of People in Household	Annual Household Income
1	\$21,780
2	\$29,420
3	\$37,060
4	\$44,700
5 or more	\$52,340

The Minnesota Department of Commerce requests that utilities track the following information for statistical purposes only. **Please read each step carefully and check "above" or "below":**

- 1) Find your household size on the table to the left.
- 2) Determine your annual household income, before taxes, including pension, social security, etc.
- 3) Is your household income above or below the amount corresponding to your household size in this table? **above** **below**

(Information from this application may be shared with the Minnesota Department of Commerce and our co-op partners.)

3. CONTRACTOR/RETAILER INFORMATION (please print)

Contractor's/Retailer's Name _____ Contact Person _____ Phone Number (with area code) _____

Installer's Name (**write SELF if customer installed**) _____

Type of Appliance/Equipment Installed _____

Contractor's/Retailer's Name _____ Contact Person _____ Phone Number (with area code) _____

Installer's Name (**write SELF if customer installed**) _____

Type of Appliance/Equipment Installed _____

2012 BUILDING SHELL REBATES

CEE PARTICIPATING CONTRACTOR VERIFICATION (Complete for any CEE Participating Contractor installed work.)

CEE Participating Contractors performing the work must have attended all Center for Energy and Environment (CEE)-required trainings and be a certified insulation installer by the Building Performance Institute, conduct work in accordance with the CEE standards, and agree to the provisions of the CEE Contractor Participation Agreement, including correcting any deficiencies found by CEE and completing a CEE-provided post-installation report.

Summary of work performed (check all that apply):

Attic Air Sealing
 Attic Insulation
 Wall Cavity Insulation
 R5 Rigid Foam (added to outside of insulated walls)

The following section must be completed if attic air sealing, or wall cavity insulation work was performed:

Pre-installation blower door test: _____ CFM at _____ Pa Post-installation blower door test: _____ CFM at _____ Pa

% blower door CFM reduction: _____% If less than 25% reduction, please explain: _____

Does house have an atmospherically-vented water heater, furnace, or boiler? Yes No

If Yes, initial below to confirm that the following tests were completed and the property owner was advised of any safety issues:

_____ Spillage evaluation for all atmospherically-vented gas appliances

_____ Worst-case negative pressure measurement for each combustion appliance zone

Signature of CEE Participating Contractor: _____ Date: _____

By signing, I certify that all of the values above are true and accurate and that all work was performed in accordance with the CONSERVE & SAVE[®] HOUSE CALL Program Air Sealing and Insulation Contractor Requirements and Standards.

Contractor Name (printed): _____ Contractor License #: _____

ATTIC AIR SEALING AND/OR RIM JOIST SEALING/INSULATION (Retrofit only)

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: All bypasses indicated by House Call audit must be addressed. Post-Installation Blower Door Verification required.

REBATE: **CEE Participating Contractor Installed:** Air Sealing: \$200; Rim Joist Sealing/Insulation: \$150

ONLY CUSTOMERS WHO HAVE HAD A HOUSE CALL AUDIT PERFORMED MAY QUALIFY FOR THIS REBATE.

Check here to signify that all bypasses identified in audit were sealed. If not, explain: _____

Describe any additional air sealing performed not identified by audit: _____

Installation Date: _____ Approximate Age of Furnace/Boiler: _____

Furnace/Boiler's Approximate Efficiency: _____ %

OFFICE USE ONLY
Rebate Total: \$ _____
Savings: _____ **ccf**

ATTIC INSULATION (Retrofit only)

ONLY CUSTOMERS WHO HAVE HAD A HOUSE CALL AUDIT PERFORMED MAY QUALIFY FOR THE CEE PARTICIPATING CONTRACTOR INSTALLED REBATE.

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: Must add a minimum of R19 with an ending R value of 44 or greater.

REBATE: **Self Installed or non-CEE Participating Contractor Installed:** \$0.10 per square foot

CEE Participating Contractor Installed: \$150 plus 0.15 per square foot. Rebate is capped at 50% of cost.

Self-Installed
 CEE Participating Contractor Installed (see top of this page)
 Installation Date: _____

Check here to signify that all attic bypasses were sealed before insulation was added. If not, explain: _____

Description of Insulation Improvements: _____

Approximate Age of Furnace/Boiler: _____ Furnace/Boiler's Approximate Efficiency: _____ %

Manufacturer & Type of Insulation Added: _____

Inches of Insulation Added: _____ Square feet covered: _____

Initial R-Value: _____ R-Value Added: _____ Total Ending R-Value (Initial + Added): _____

OFFICE USE ONLY
Rebate Total: \$ _____
Savings: _____ **ccf**

WALL INSULATION (Retrofit only) **ONLY CUSTOMERS WHO HAVE HAD A HOUSE CALL AUDIT PERFORMED MAY QUALIFY FOR THIS REBATE.**

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: Minimum 450 sq. ft. of insulation for rebate. All requirements must be verified through House Call audit.
INJECTION (CEE PARTICIPATING CONTRACTOR INSTALLED): Empty cavities only. Post-Installation Blower Door Verification required.
EXTERIOR RIGID FOAM: R5 or greater over already insulated wall. Wall cavities must be filled.

REBATE: **Injection (CEE Participating Contractor Installed): \$300; Exterior Rigid Foam Insulation: \$200**

Injection (CEE Participating Contractor Installed – see top of page 3) Exterior Rigid Foam Installation Date: _____

Description of Insulation Improvements: _____

Approximate Age of Furnace/Boiler: _____ Furnace/Boiler's Approximate Efficiency: _____ %

Manufacturer & Type of Insulation Added: _____

Inches of Insulation Added: _____ Square feet covered: _____

Initial R-Value: _____ R-Value Added: _____ Total Ending R-Value (Initial + Added): _____

OFFICE USE ONLY	
Rebate Total: \$	_____
Savings: _____	ccf

WINDOWS Must include NFRC Label for each window type and size. **OWATONNA RESIDENTS: Must submit a copy of the City Building Department Final Inspection form.**

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: 8 sq. ft. per window opening (one opening equals one window);
ENERGY STAR® rated for northern climate zone (U-factor less than or equal to .30 or equivalent energy performance)

REBATE: \$15 per window



NFRC Labels Included (Required) City Final Inspection Form Submitted (Required for Owatonna Public Utilities customers.)

Self-Installed Dealer Installed Installation Date: _____

Dealer Name (Purchased At): _____ Dealer Phone (with area code): _____

Dealer Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code + 4: _____

Approximate Year Building Was Constructed (Required): _____

Building Type: Single-Family Manufactured Home Multi-Family Retail Office Church/School Other: _____

Primary Heating Fuel: Natural Gas Electric Other: _____

Primary Cooling Type: Central Air Conditioning Room Air Conditioning Air Source Heat Pump Geothermal None

These windows were purchased: To Replace Existing Working Windows To Replace Existing Non-Working or Broken Windows
 As New Windows in an Existing Home/Building As New Windows in a Newly-Constructed Home/Building

Complete the following sections FOR EACH WINDOW TYPE. Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

U-Factor:	Manufacturer:	Model:	Window Type:
Window Length (inches):	Width (inches):	# of Windows this Size:	X \$15 per Window = \$ (Total Rebate per Size)

U-Factor:	Manufacturer:	Model:	Window Type:
Window Length (inches):	Width (inches):	# of Windows this Size:	X \$15 per Window = \$ (Total Rebate per Size)

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Window Length (inches):	Width (inches):	# of Windows this Size:	X \$15 per Window = \$ (Total Rebate per Size)

U-Factor:	Manufacturer:	Model:	Window Type:
Window Length (inches):	Width (inches):	# of Windows this Size:	X \$15 per Window = \$ (Total Rebate per Size)

2012 FURNACE AND CENTRAL A/C REBATES

FURNACES – NEW CONSTRUCTION

(AHRI=Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute – www.ahridirectory.org)

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: AFUE greater than or equal to 95%

(AFUE=Annual Fuel Usage Efficiency)

REBATE: \$100

NOTE: Gas Inspection Required (OPU customers must include a copy of the city furnace or boiler final inspection form)

Manufacturer's Name: _____ Model Name: _____ Model #: _____

Heating Capacity (Btu/hr output): _____ Rated Efficiency (AFUE %): _____ Number of Units Installed: _____

Date of Installation: _____

Why was this purchased? To replace: no previous unit failed unit working unit

OFFICE USE ONLY

Rebate Total: \$ _____

FURNACES – RETROFIT

(AHRI=Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute – www.ahridirectory.org)

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: AFUE greater than or equal to 92%

(AFUE=Annual Fuel Usage Efficiency)

REBATE: AFUE of 92% = \$100; AFUE greater than or equal to 95% = \$200

NOTE: Gas Inspection Required (OPU customers must include a copy of the city furnace or boiler final inspection form)

Manufacturer's Name: _____ Model Name: _____ Model #: _____

Heating Capacity (Btu/hr output): _____ Rated Efficiency (AFUE %): _____ Number of Units Installed: _____

Date of Installation: _____

Why was this purchased? To replace: no previous unit failed unit working unit

OFFICE USE ONLY

Rebate Total: \$ _____

FURNACE FAN MOTORS – NEW INSTALLATIONS ONLY (ELECTRIC REBATE)

(AFUE=Annual Fuel Usage Efficiency)

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: 92% AFUE Furnace and rated "e" electrically efficient furnace by AHRI (rated as AMACF) (AMACF=Advanced Main Air Circulating Fan)

(AHRI=Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute – www.ahridirectory.org)

ELECTRIC REBATE: \$50

Manufacturer's Name: _____ Model #: _____

AHRI Certified Reference # (required): _____ Rated Efficiency (AFUE %): _____

Number of Units Installed: _____ Date of Installation: _____

Why was this purchased? To replace: no previous unit failed unit working unit

OFFICE USE ONLY

Rebate Total: \$ _____

CENTRAL AIR CONDITIONERS (ELECTRIC REBATE)

(AHRI=Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute – www.ahridirectory.org)

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: SEER 14.5; Must be AHRI Certified.

(SEER=Seasonal Energy Efficiency Rating)

REBATE: see chart below

	14.5–14.99	15.0–15.99	16.0–16.99	17.0–17.99	18.0–18.99	19.0–19.99	20.0–20.99	21.0–21.99	22.0+
20,000 BTU/hr or less	\$100	\$125	\$150	\$175	\$200	\$225	\$250	\$275	see formulas below
Over 20,000 BTU/hr	\$200	\$275	\$350	\$425	\$500	\$575	\$650	\$725	

20,000 BTU/hr or less – Rebate Formula: \$100 + [(Actual SEER – 14) x \$25]

Over 20,000 BTU/hr – Rebate Formula: \$200 + [(Actual SEER – 14) x \$75]

Outdoor Unit Model #: _____ Manufacturer's Name: _____ **AHRI Certified Ref # (required):** _____

Indoor Unit Model #: _____ Manufacturer's Name: _____

Rated Efficiency (SEER by AHRI): _____ Cooling Capacity (BTUH): _____

Number of Units Installed: _____ Date of Installation: _____

Why was this purchased? To replace: no previous unit failed unit working unit

OFFICE USE ONLY

Rebate Total: \$ _____

2012 BOILER AND DOMESTIC HOT WATER HEATER REBATES

BOILERS

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: AFUE greater than or equal to 85%

(AHRI=Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute)

(AFUE=Annual Fuel Usage Efficiency) (www.ahridirectory.org)

REBATE: AFUE greater than or equal to 85% = \$100; greater than or equal to 90% = \$200; greater than or equal to 95% = \$300; Boilers with indirect fire water heater = \$100 additional

NOTE: Gas Inspection Required (OPU customers must include a copy of the city furnace or boiler final inspection form)

Manufacturer's Name:	Model Name:	Model #:
Heating Capacity (Btu/hr output):	Rated Efficiency (AFUE %):	Number of Units Installed:
Date of Installation:		OFFICE USE ONLY
Why was this purchased? To replace: <input type="checkbox"/> no previous unit <input type="checkbox"/> failed unit <input type="checkbox"/> working unit		Rebate Total: \$ _____

TANK WATER HEATERS

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: EF greater than or equal to 0.62

(EF=Energy Factor) (www.ahridirectory.org)

(AHRI=Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute)

REBATE: EF greater than or equal to 0.62, but less than 0.64 = \$50;

EF greater than or equal to 0.64, but less than 0.67 = \$75;

EF greater than or equal to 0.67 = \$100

NOTE: Gas Inspection required in Austin. OPU customers must include a copy of the water heater inspection forms.

Manufacturer's Name:	Model Name:	Model #:
Storage Gallons:	Rated Efficiency (EF):	Number of Units Installed:
Date of Installation:		OFFICE USE ONLY
Why was this purchased? To replace: <input type="checkbox"/> no previous unit <input type="checkbox"/> failed unit <input type="checkbox"/> working unit		Rebate Total: \$ _____

TANKLESS (INSTANTANEOUS) WATER HEATERS

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: EF greater than or equal to 0.80

(EF=Energy Factor) (www.ahridirectory.org)

(AHRI=Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute)

REBATE: EF greater than or equal to 0.80, but less than 0.92 = \$200; EF greater than or equal to 0.92 = \$250

NOTE: Gas Inspection Required (OPU customers must include a copy of the water heater inspection form.)

Manufacturer's Name:	Model Name:	Model #:
Heating Capacity (Btu/hr input):	Rated Efficiency (EF):	Number of Units Installed:
Date of Installation:		OFFICE USE ONLY
Why was this purchased? To replace: <input type="checkbox"/> no previous unit <input type="checkbox"/> failed unit <input type="checkbox"/> working unit		Rebate Total: \$ _____

DRAIN WATER HEAT RECOVERY (DWHR)

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: Heat recovery efficiency of 42% at 2.5 GPM & max pressure drop of 3 psi @2.5 GPM; Must be installed by a manufacturer-certified, licensed plumbing contractor.

REBATE: \$200

Manufacturer's Name:	Model Name:	Model #:
Heat Recovery Efficiency:	Storage Size of Water Heater (Gallons):	Number of Units Installed:
Date of Installation:	Number of People Living in Your Home:	
Water Heating: <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Electric		OFFICE USE ONLY
Why was this purchased? To replace: <input type="checkbox"/> no previous unit <input type="checkbox"/> failed unit <input type="checkbox"/> working unit		Rebate Total: \$ _____

2012 OTHER NATURAL GAS REBATES

CLOTHES WASHERS

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: ENERGY STAR® Label

ELECTRIC, WATER, & NATURAL GAS REBATE: \$25-\$100

NOTE: Rebate is calculated at \$50 for electric service, \$25 for water service, \$25 for gas service. Example: Electric = \$50, Electric & Water = \$75, Electric, Water, & Gas = \$100.*

Manufacturer's Name: _____ Model # _____

Number of Units Installed: _____

Date of Installation: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY
Rebate Total: \$ _____

Why was this purchased? To replace: no previous unit failed unit working unit

ELECTRONIC IGNITION HEARTH – NEW NATURAL GAS HEARTH INSTALLATIONS ONLY

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: Must be on-demand electronic ignition that is also a sealed combustion/direct vent unit.

REBATE: \$75

NOTE: Gas Inspection Required in Austin Only.

Natural Gas Hearth Product is: Free-standing stove Fireplace Insert

Manufacturer's Name: _____ Model #: _____ Serial #: _____

Ignition Brand Name: _____ Heating Capacity (Btu/hr input): _____

Date of Installation: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY
Rebate Total: \$ _____

Why was this purchased? To replace: no previous unit failed unit working unit

PROGRAMMABLE THERMOSTATS

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: Rebate cannot exceed the cost of the thermostat. Thermostat must control primary heating system.

REBATE: \$25

Manufacturer's Name: _____ Model Name: _____ Model #: _____

Number of Units Installed: _____ Date of Installation: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY
Rebate Total: \$ _____

Why was this purchased? To replace: no previous unit failed unit working unit

CUSTOM NATURAL GAS PROGRAM

MINIMUM EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS: Determined by energy savings on equipment or appliances as documented by third party testing.

NOTE: May require up to 10 weeks or more to process rebate

Description of Improvements: _____

Calculated Annual Gas Energy Savings: _____ Calculated Reimbursement \$ _____

Date of Installation: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY
Rebate Total: \$ _____
Savings: _____ ccf

Must have greater than 1 year, and less than a 6 year payback.

Fuel switching technologies are excluded on retrofits.

Attach third party testing documentation with necessary information for calculating savings.

4. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This program offers rebates for the purchase of new energy-efficient equipment. Applicants should review the terms and conditions listed below and fill in the corresponding rebate information on the preceding pages.

To qualify for a rebate, these requirements must be met:

- **Only one service address per application.**
- **The utility reserves the right to apply rebates to past due accounts. Rebates under \$25 for AU customers will be applied to your account. Rebates will not exceed the purchase price.**
- **Energy-efficient equipment must be connected to a natural gas service** supplied by Austin Utilities or Owatonna Public Utilities and is **subject to inspection.**
- Windows and insulation must be installed in a conditioned living space where the utility supplies the primary heating energy (e.g. NOT garages or sun porches).
- **CEE Participating Contractors** must have attended all Center for Energy and Environment (CEE)-required trainings and be a certified insulation installer by the Building Performance Institute, perform work in accordance with CEE standards, and agree to the provisions of the CEE Contractor Participation Agreement, including correcting any deficiencies found by CEE and completing the CEE-provided post-installation report.
- Equipment installations must meet our **Minimum Efficiency Requirements** to qualify for a rebate.
- **Due to limited funding, this rebate offer can be withdrawn at any time without notice. Applications will be processed on a first-come, first-serve basis. All applications from the previous year's (2012) purchases must be received by March 31, 2013.**
- Rebates can only be offered on equipment that is installed while funding is in effect. In the event our program is discontinued due to depleted funds, we will not provide a rebate for items installed between the discontinued date and the end of that year.
- **Return the completed application and required documentation to your utility provider:**



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